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HEALTH COMMITTEE MEMBERS, 1965-66.

Chairman, Ald. G. R. Sinderson, J.P.

Vice-Chairman: Coun. J. Gebler.

Ald. A. W. Cox. Coun. P. A. Burton. Coun. A. C. Hooton.

Coun. P. McBride. Coun. P. W. Mitchell. Coun. H. Ridley.

Ald. J. O. Oslear, J.P. Coun. W. Solomon, J.P., B.E.M.

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STAFF OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

Medical Officer of Health.	Dr. Elizabeth Britain, M.B., B.S., D.P.H. (until September, 1965.)
Chief Public Health Inspector.	John W. Finch, F.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I.
Chief Assistant Public Health Inspector.	D. W. Keightley, M.A.P.H.I.
Additional Public Health Inspector.	D. Lingard.
Additional Public Health Inspector.	J. Hufford.
Pupil Public Health Inspector.	D. W. Tommon.
Shorthand-Typist.	Miss D. M. Welton. (until June, 1965).
Shorthand-Typist.	Miss D. E. Speed. (from July, 1965).
Rodent Operative.	H. Garratt.
Infectious Disease Prevention Attendant.	E. Appleton.

## COUNTY COUNCIL STAFF WORKING IN THE BOROUGH.

Dr. J.D. Carrick, M.B., Ch.B.,	Relaxation Class.
Dr. F.P. McDonagh, M.B., Ch.B.,	Maternity and Child Welfare.
Mrs. P. Whitehead.	Clinic Secretary.
Mrs. L. Pottage.	Home Help Secretary.
Mr. F. Leo.	Area Welfare Officer.
Mr. A. Wright.	Welfare Officer.
Mrs. I. Hammond.	Welfare Officer.

### HEALTH VISITORS.

Miss R.E. Braybrook, S.R.N., S.C.M., H.V. Cert.  
Miss J.P. Cosnett, S.C.M., H.V. Cert.  
Mrs. E. James.

### HOME NURSES.

Mrs. F.M. Cash, 79, Poplar Road, Cleethorpes.  
Mrs. R.A. Claxton, 252, Hainton Avenue, Grimsby.  
Miss O. Townsley, 12, Balmoral Road, Cleethorpes.  
Mrs. C.J.F. Foulger, 3, Maple Close, Healing.  
Mrs. J. Hoyle, 75, Bradford Avenue, Cleethorpes.  
Mrs. C.E. Parker, 4, Mill Hill Crescent, Cleethorpes.

### NURSE-MIDWIVES.

Miss O.E. Farrow, 7, Pendreth Place, Cleethorpes.  
Mrs. O. Boyce, 10, Cambridge Street, Cleethorpes.  
Miss M. Hargadon, 127, Wintringham Road, Grimsby.  
Miss H.M. Fawcett, 85, Granville Street, Grimsby.

### DENTAL CLINIC.

Mr. F.E. Padgett, L.D.S., R.C.S.	Dental Officer.
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### SPEECH THERAPY CLINIC.

Miss Palmer.	Speech Therapist.
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In addition the staff of the Grimsby Child Guidance Clinic do, by arrangement with Lindsey County Council, accept cases from Cleethorpes.

Mr. W.G.K. Rubery.	Assistant Psychologist.
Mr. T.D. MacKenzie.	Remedial Teacher/Psychological Tester.
Mrs. M.N. Green.	Remedial Teacher.

These members of the Clinic staff have all carried out work within the Borough.



Telephone No.  
Cleethorpes 62822.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
COUNCIL HOUSE,  
CLEETHORPES.

AUGUST, 1966.

To The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Cleethorpes.

LADY AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present the Annual Report on the health of the Borough of Cleethorpes for 1965. The statistics indicate a healthy community.

I did not hold office during the year and so am not able to comment from personal experience on events during the year. My observations are based entirely on the statistics available.

I am grateful to the County Medical Officer and his staff for information relating to the Lindsey County Council's services in the Borough. I would like to thank Mr. Finch and the members of the Public Health Department for local information.

I am,  
Your obedient servant,

J.M.B. CARR,

Medical Officer of Health.

## STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

The Borough is a seaside holiday resort on the North East Lincolnshire coast at the mouth of the River Humber. It has many fine residential localities. The chief occupations of its residents are the seaside holiday trade, fishing and its various allied industries, frozen foods and in the chemical factories of the Humber Bank.

### Statistics for 1965.

Area of the Borough (above high water mark) ...	...	...	2,250 acres.
Registrar General's Estimated mid year population ...	...	...	33,600
Number of Inhabited houses ...	...	...	11,054
Rateable Value 1st April, 1965 ...	...	...	£944,294
Product of a Penny Rate ...	...	...	£3,843

### Vital Statistics.

Deaths: Total number of deaths ...	...	...	385
Death Rate per 1,000 population ...	...	...	11.5
Corrected Death Rate ...	...	...	12.0
(Comparability Factor 1.04)			
Births: Total number of live births ...	...	...	650
Birth Rate per 1,000 population ...	...	...	19.3
Corrected Birth Rate ...	...	...	19.5
(Comparability Factor 1.01)			
Number of Illegitimate live births ...	...	...	59
Percentage of Total live Births ...	...	...	9.0
Stillbirths: Total number ...	...	...	8
Stillbirth Rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths ...	...	...	12.2
Total live and stillbirths ...	...	...	658
Infant Deaths (deaths under one year) ...	...	...	10
Infant Mortality Rate:			
Total Infant Deaths per 1,000 total live births ...	...	...	15.4
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births ...	...	...	16.8
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births ...	...	...	16.7
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (deaths under four weeks per 1,000 total live births) ...	...	...	10.8
Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (deaths under one week per 1,000 total live births) ...	...	...	10.8
Perinatal Mortality Rate (stillbirths and deaths under one week combined, per 1,000 total live and stillbirths)			22.8
Total infant deaths under 4 weeks of age ...	...	...	7
Total infant deaths under 1 week of age ...	...	...	7
Maternal Mortality (including abortion): Number of deaths			0
Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths ...	...	...	0

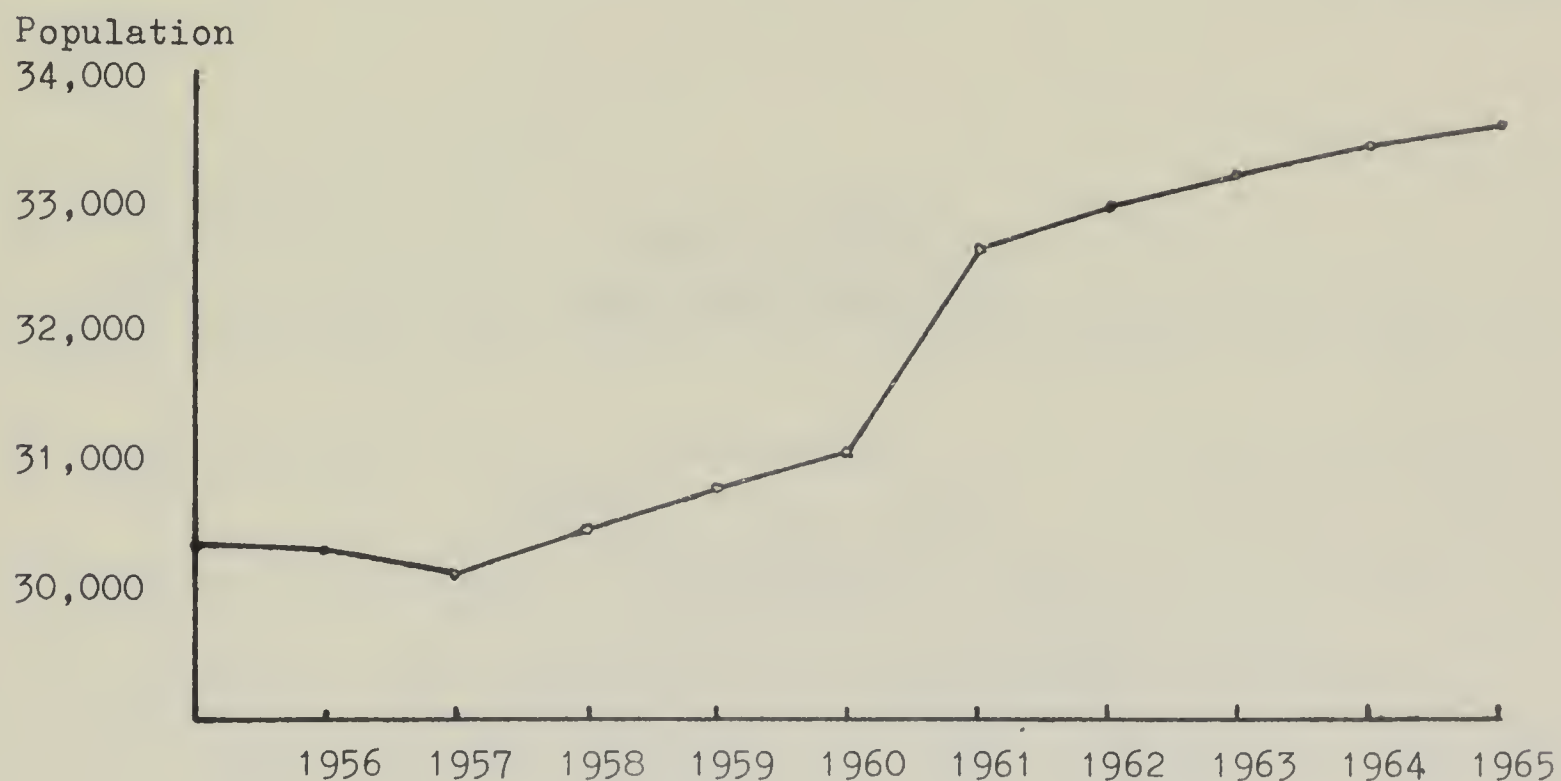
CLASSIFICATION OF CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE  
BOROUGH OF CLEETHORPES.

CAUSES OF DEATH.					1965		Totals	
					Males	Females	1965	1964
1.	Tuberculosis, Respiratory ... ..				2	-	2	2
2.	Tuberculosis, other ... ..				-	-	-	-
3.	Syphilitic disease ... ..				-	-	-	2
4.	Diphtheria ... ..				-	-	-	-
5.	Whooping Cough ... ..				-	-	-	-
6.	Meningococcal infections ... ..				-	-	-	-
7.	Acute Poliomyelitis ... ..				-	-	-	-
8.	Measles ... ..				-	-	-	-
9.	Other infective or parasitic diseases				-	-	-	2
10.	Malignant Neoplasm, stomach ...				6	5	11	13
11.	Malignant Neoplasm, lung, bronchus				12	2	14	22
12.	Malignant Neoplasm, breast ...				-	4	4	7
13.	Malignant Neoplasm, uterus ...				-	4	4	5
14.	Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms				15	15	30	38
15.	Leukaemia, aleukaemia ... ..				1	1	2	3
16.	Diabetes ... ..				1	2	3	1
17.	Vascular lesions of nervous system				24	34	58	52
18.	Coronary disease, angina ... ..				55	28	83	80
19.	Hypertension with heart disease ...				8	5	13	10
20.	Other heart diseases ... ..				14	21	35	34
21.	Other circulatory disease ... ..				4	13	17	18
22.	Influenza ... ..				-	-	-	-
23.	Pneumonia ... ..				11	13	24	15
24.	Bronchitis ... ..				15	13	28	21
25.	Other diseases of the respiratory system ... ..				-	1	1	7
26.	Ulcer of the stomach and duodenum				1	-	1	1
27.	Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea				2	1	3	-
28.	Nephritis, and nephrosis ... ..				2	1	3	1
29.	Hyperplasia of prostate ... ..				2	-	2	1
30.	Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion ...				-	-	-	-
31.	Congenital malformations ... ..				2	3	5	5
32.	Other defined and ill-defined diseases				18	11	29	23
33.	Motor vehicle accidents ... ..				3	-	3	5
34.	All other accidents ... ..				4	4	8	8
35.	Suicide ... ..				1	1	2	1
36.	Homicide and operations of war ...				-	-	-	-
TOTALS ... ..					203	182	385	377



# Comparative Statistics for 1965.

				<u>1965</u>	<u>1964</u>	<u>1965</u>
				<u>Cleethorpes</u>	<u>Cleethorpes</u>	<u>England &amp; Wales</u>
Death Rate ...	...	...	...	12.0	12.0	11.5
Birth Rate ...	...	...	...	19.5	19.6	18.0
Stillbirth Rate ...	...	...	...	12.2	21.1	15.7
Infant Mortality Rate	...	...	...	15.4	24.7	19.0



<u>Year.</u>	<u>Population.</u>	<u>Year.</u>	<u>Population.</u>	<u>Year.</u>	<u>Population.</u>
1955.	30,370	1959.	30,800	1963.	33,220
1956.	30,320	1960.	31,090	1964.	33,430
1957.	30,160	1961.	32,660	1965.	33,600
1958.	30,480	1962.	32,990		

Natural increase in population, i.e. excess of births over deaths in 1965 was 265. The Registrar General's estimated mid year population of 33,600 is 170 above the 1964 figure.

The total number of deaths from all causes has increased from 377 to 385 to give a corrected death rate of 12.0 per thousand population. This is the same rate as last year and is slightly above the national figure of 11.5.

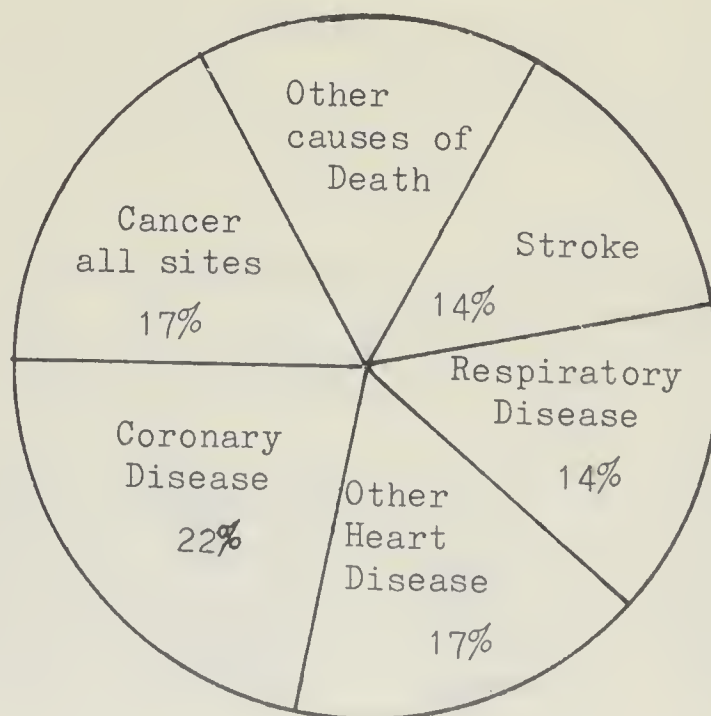
Diseases of the heart and circulatory system continue to be the main cause of death accounting for 206 deaths or 54% of the total deaths. Coronary disease is the largest single killer in the under 65's.

Cancer in all its forms accounted for 65 deaths or 17% of the total deaths.

Deaths due to cancer and diseases of the heart and circulatory system account, therefore, for over 70% of the deaths in the district.

The longevity of the population was shown by the fact that 42% of the deaths in the district were amongst people aged 75 and over and 70% in those aged over 65.

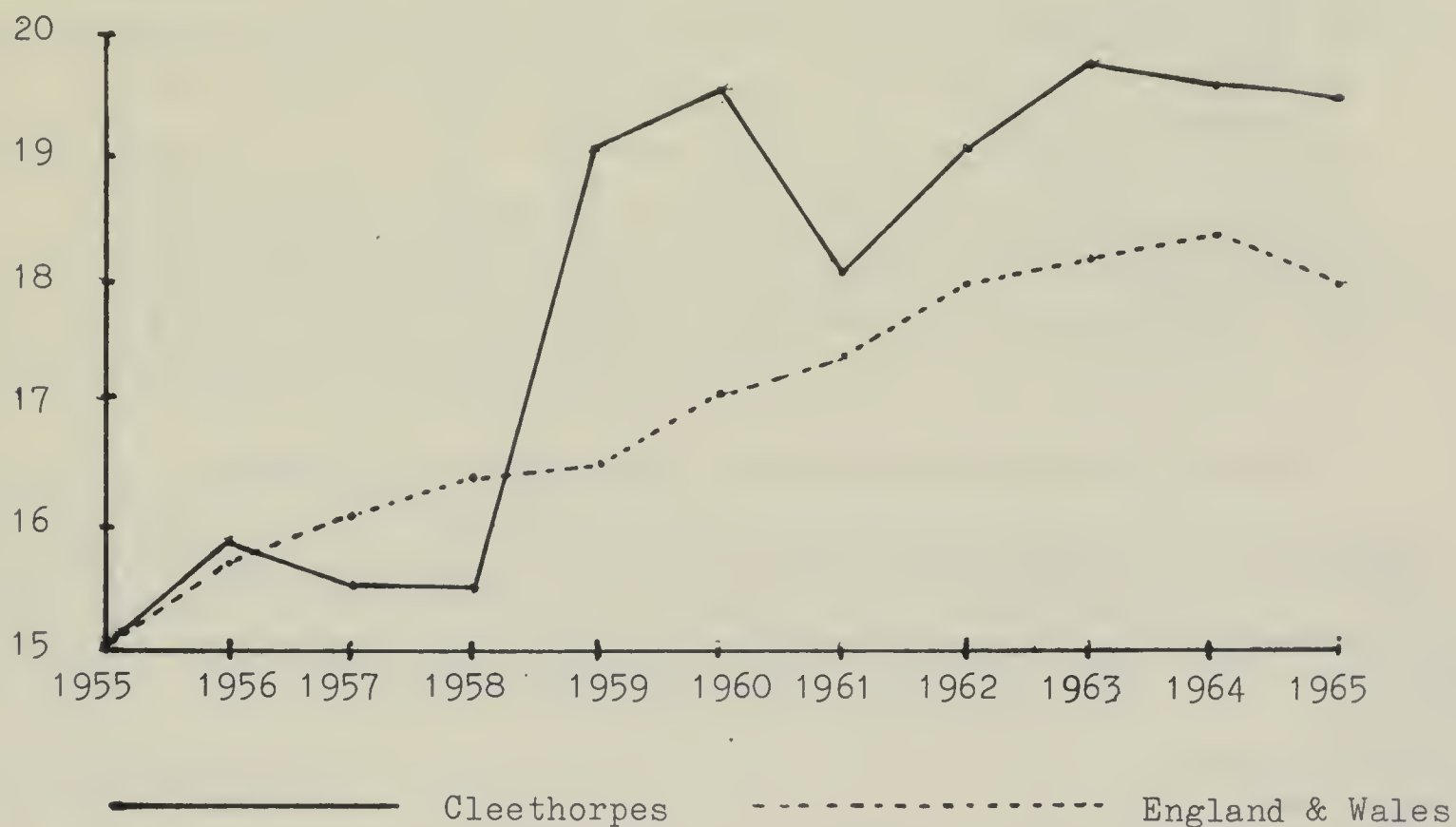
CAUSES OF DEATH  
ALL AGES, Total 385



The Birth Rate was slightly lower than in 1964 but it still remains above the figure for England and Wales.

Graph showing the Birth Rate during the last 10 years.

Birth Rate per  
1,000 Population.



Year.	Cleethorpes.	England & Wales
1955.	15.0	15.0
1956.	15.9	15.7
1957.	15.5	16.1
1958.	15.5	16.4
1959.	19.1	16.5
1960.	19.6	17.1
1961.	18.1	17.4
1962.	19.1	18.0
1963.	19.8	18.2
1964.	19.6	18.4
1965.	19.5	18.0

PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

Notifiable Diseases (other than Tuberculosis) during the year 1965.

Disease.	Total Cases Notified.	Total Deaths.
MEASLES ... ..	181	-
WHOOPING COUGH ... ..	8	-
PNEUMONIA ... ..	1	-
PUERPERAL PYREXIA ...	10	-
SCARLET FEVER ... ..	30	-
FOOD POISONING ... ..	4	-
DYSENTERY ... ..	30	-
TOTALS ... ..	264	-

Cases of Infectious Disease in their respective months.

Disease.	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Totals
Scarlet Fever ...	5	2	3	1	3	2	2	3	1	1	2	5	30
Measles ... ..	89	10	19	17	5	11	9	6	2	3	2	8	181
Dysentery ...	-	6	5	1	4	1	4	-	3	1	1	4	30
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	2	2	-	1	1	10
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	3	8
Food Poisoning	-	-	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	4
Pneumonia ...	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
TOTALS ...	94	19	31	19	14	16	19	12	8	5	6	21	264

Measles.

The usual biennial epidemic which should have occurred in 1965 made little impact as the epidemic started in late 1964 and most of the cases occurred in the last two months of that year.

Whooping Cough.

The low level of notifications continues, the same number of cases being notified as in 1964.

Diphtheria.

The last case of diphtheria that occurred in the Borough was in 1950.



## Poliomyelitis

Since 1957, when vaccination against Poliomyelitis was started, only 2 cases have occurred in Cleethorpes. The last case of Poliomyelitis notified was in 1962.

## Dysentery.

There were 30 notifications during the year but no major outbreaks. All notified cases were investigated and positive bacteriological results were achieved in 15 of the cases.

## Tuberculosis.

Patients attend at the Chest Clinic, Abbey Road, Grimsby, by appointment. During the year 35 new cases were added to the Tuberculosis Register and there were 5 inward transfers. 52 cases were removed from the Register (16 transfers out, 18 deaths, 18 cured). There were 239 cases left on the Register at the end of the year.

## Tuberculosis After Care Committee.

This Committee renders valuable service in the after-care of cases of tuberculosis. Special attention is given to necessitous cases and their families; assistance being given in obtaining extra nourishment, clothing etc., and in the form of holiday grants.

## B.C.G. Vaccination.

All 13 year old secondary school children in the Borough are offered B.C.G. vaccination against tuberculosis.

## Venereal Disease.

Facilities for the diagnosis and treatment of venereal disease are available at the Special Treatment Centre, 38, Queen Street, Grimsby.

Condition.			Males.	Females.	Total.
Early Syphilis ...			2	-	2
Late Syphilis ...			-	-	-
Congenital Syphilis			-	-	-
Gonorrhoea ...			21	9	30
Other Conditions			66	14	80
1965	Total	...	89	23	112
1964	Total	...	66	17	83

# GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

## Hospitals.

Facilities for treatment are available at the Scartho Road Hospital, Grimsby General Hospital and Springfield Infectious Disease Hospital.

## Maternity Hospital, Cleethorpes.

This report is included by the courtesy of the Secretary of the Grimsby Hospital Management Committee.

### 1. Name and address of the Institution:

Croft Baker Maternity Hospital,  
Mill Road,  
Cleethorpes, Lincs.

2.	Number of Maternity cases admitted during the year	...	1145
3.	Number of Maternity beds in the Institution) (exclusive of isolation and labour beds)	... ..	30
4.	Average duration of stay of cases in the lying-in wards		8.5
5.	Number of cases delivered by		
	(a) Midwives	... ..	856
	(b) Doctors	... ..	126
6.	Number of cases in which medical assistance was sought by a midwife in emergency	... ..	9
7.	Number of cases admitted after delivery		
	(a) B.B.A.	... ..	3
	(b) Transfers following delivery at G.M.H.	... ..	29
8.	Number of cases notified as Puerperal Pyrexia	... ..	9
9.	Number of cases of Pemphigus Neonatorum	... ..	Nil
10.	(a) Number of infants not entirely breast fed while in the institution	... ..	702
	(b) Number of infants wholly breast fed on leaving the institution	... ..	315
11.	Number of cases notified as Ophthalmia Neonatorum	... ..	Nil
12.	Number of maternal deaths	... ..	Nil
13.	(a) Number of stillbirths	... ..	6
	(b) Cause of stillbirths:		

Placental insufficiency.  
Macerated Foetus - Placental  
insufficiency.  
Macerated Foetus - Infarcted  
Placenta.

I.U.D. - Placental  
insufficiency.  
Macerated Foetus.  
Macerated Foetus.

14.	(a) Number of infant deaths within 10 days	... ..	1
	(b) Cause of death:		

B.B.A. Premature Infant - Atelectasis.

### Laboratory Facilities.

These are available for the examination of throat and nose swabs, sputum, etc., at the Public Health Laboratory, Lincoln, and at the Pathological Department, Grimsby General Hospital. I am very grateful to Dr. Croll, and Dr. Lawy for their help and advice.

### Ambulance Facilities.

These are provided by the Lindsey County Council, Tel. Cleethorpes 61288.

### Nursing at Home.

District nurses and midwives are stationed in Cleethorpes. Names and addresses of Home nurses and midwives appear on page 3.

### Clinics.

Lindsey County Council, St. Hugh's Avenue, Cleethorpes.

<u>CLINIC.</u>	<u>DAY.</u>	<u>TIME.</u>
School.	Monday.	10 a.m. (by appointment)
Eye.	Friday.	9.30 a.m. (by appointment)
Infant Welfare.	Monday & Thursday.	2 p.m.
Poliomyelitis Vaccination.	3rd Wednesday.	2 p.m. (by appointment)
Diphtheria/Whooping Cough/ Tetanus Immunisation.	1st Wednesday.	2 p.m. (by appointment)
Toddlers' Clinic.	Tuesday.	2 p.m. (by appointment)
Ante-Natal Clinic.	2nd Wednesday.	Afternoons (by appointment)
Relaxation Classes.	2nd & 4th Tuesday.	10.15 a.m.
Dental Clinic.	Daily.	By appointment.
Speech Therapy.	Monday & Thursday.	1.30 p.m. (by appointment)
Chiropody Class.	Tuesday & 2nd & 4th Wednesday.	9.30 a.m. (by appointment)
Child Guidance Clinic, Heneage Road, Grimsby.		By appointment.
Chest & Tuberculosis Clinic, Abbey Road, Grimsby.		By appointment.
Venereal Disease Special Treatment Centre, Queen Street, Grimsby.		By appointment.



Lindsey County Council Welfare Services, 1965.

I would like to thank the County Welfare Officer and the Area Welfare Officer for providing the following report:-

"For the purpose of Welfare administration, Lindsey County is divided into six areas. Each area office is under the direction of an Area Welfare Officer who supervises a welfare team comprising of Social Welfare Officer, Home Help Officer, Welfare Assistant(s) and appropriate Clerical workers. Also working closely with each team are the following Officers:- Mental Health, Child Care, Occupational Therapists and Handicraft Instructors.

The Cleethorpes area covers approximately 20 square miles and includes Cleethorpes Borough and 49 parishes. The staff is as follows:-

Area Welfare Officer	- Mr. F. Leo
Social Welfare Officers	- Mr. A.L. Wright) Welfare of the Mrs. I. Hammond) Blind & Physically Mrs. D. Kemp ) Handicapped.
Home Help Officer	- Mrs. L. Pottage
Assistant Home Help Officer	- Mrs. R. Higgs
Welfare Assistant	- Mrs. D. Hartley
Handicraft Instructor	- Mrs. R. Cole

The Child Care Officer is Miss A. Gladwin, and the Mental Health Officer is Mr. W.R. Robson.

Mr. C.E. Burgess is the Registrar of Births, Deaths & Marriages.

Blind and Partially Sighted.

The number of registered blind persons in Cleethorpes Borough in 1965 was 79.

A wide range of services are provided in co-operation with the Lindsey Blind Society and the Royal National Institute for the Blind, including a Social Centre, the teaching of Braille and Handicrafts etc.

Physically Handicapped. - General Classes other than Blind and Partially Sighted.

Number registered in Cleethorpes Borough in 1965 - 140.

Services provided in co-operation with the Lindsey Society for the Handicapped include a Social Club and Handicraft classes. Other services:- Home tuition in Handicrafts and a wide range of aids and adaptations are available, to enable the disabled to lead as full and independent lives as possible. A special bus with hydraulic lift is provided to transport the severely disabled to craft classes, socials and on outings.



### Aged.

Residential Homes are provided for those who through age or infirmity are in need of care and attention, not otherwise available to them. A total of 16 people from the combined Cleethorpes Borough and Grimsby Rural District were admitted to homes during 1965.

### Home Help Service.

During 1965, in the combined area of Cleethorpes Borough and Grimsby Rural District, a total of 478 cases were attended. These were divided into the following categories:-

<u>Aged</u>	<u>Chronic Sick &amp; T.B.</u>	<u>Mentally Disordered</u>	<u>Maternity</u>	<u>Others</u>
378	48	Nil	22	30

The number of enrolled Home Help workers attending the above cases was 124.

Persons receiving domestic help under the County Council's scheme are required to pay such charge as, having regard to the means of those persons, the County Council consider reasonable.

Applications for help in the Cleethorpes area should be made to the Home Help Officer, at 31, Market Street, Cleethorpes.

The Home Help Officer can be interviewed at the above address at the following times:-

Monday.	9 a.m. to 12.00 and 1 to 5.30 p.m.
Tuesday.	9 a.m. to 12.00 and 1 to 5.30 p.m.
Wednesday.	9 a.m. to 12.00.
Thursday.	9 a.m. to 12.00.
Friday.	9 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

### Meals on Wheels & Luncheon Club for Old People.

I am grateful to Mrs. B. Readymartcher, County Organiser of the Womens Voluntary Service, for providing the following information relating to meals provided by the W.V.S.

#### Meals on Wheels.

Total number served in 1965	...	...	...	...	...	5,610
Average number per week	...	...	...	...	...	120
Average number having 3 meals	...	...	...	...	...	39
Average number having 2 meals	...	...	...	...	...	1

#### Luncheon Club.

Total meals in 1965	...	...	...	...	...	1,100
Average number per week	...	...	...	...	...	72

## Care of the Elderly.

The problem of caring adequately for old people is one that gets more and more difficult each year. Every effort is made to support old people in the community, but often, despite the combined efforts of the General Practitioner, Welfare Officer, Home Helps, District Nurses and W.V.S., institutional care is necessary. The shortage of hospital beds for the aged and chronic sick continues and many people in need of hospital care have weeks to wait before being admitted.

During 1965, two old people were moved from their homes against their wishes. They were both in need of care and living in insanitary conditions. Action was taken under Section 47 of the National Assistance Act of 1948.

## Health Education.

This important aspect of Public Health continued in the Borough during the year.

Members of the Health Department of the Borough Council have given numerous talks on Health matters to various local organisations. The County Council Staff, working in the Borough have also been active in this field. The Health Visitors have visited Secondary schools and given regular lessons on Mothercraft, Child Care, Home Nursing and simple first aid.

## Relaxation and Mothercraft Classes for Expectant Mothers.

These were held weekly, the average attendance being 12. Talks on pregnancy and normal childbirth were given by the Medical Officer; and mothercraft, relaxation and breathing by the Health Visitors.

Visits to the Maternity Home were arranged to meet Matron and to dispel any fears or apprehension the expectant mothers might feel.

From time to time films are shown.

## Immunisation and Vaccination.

Particulars of Vaccinations and Immunisations carried out in Cleethorpes during 1965:-

Diphtheria Initial Immunisation	...	...	...	...	Nil
Diphtheria Booster Doses	...	...	...	...	3

### Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough Immunisations.

	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	Total
Initials	145	260	18	13	8	6	-	450
Boosters	-	34	252	48	15	6	-	375

Diphtheria/Tetanus Immunisations.

	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5-9	10-14	Total
Initial	-	-	1	1	3	27	-	32
Boosters	-	-	11	2	3	213	3	232

Smallpox Vaccinations.

	Under 1	1-4	5-15	Total
Vaccination	13	127	19	159
Re-Vaccination	-	-	2	2

Tetanus Immunisations.

	Under 1	1-4	5-14	15 or over.	Total
Initial Course	-	-	15	4	19
Boosters	-	-	7	1	8

Poliomyelitis Vaccination.

Salk Vaccine.

	Persons born in the years					
Had 3rd injection	64	63	62	61	60-43	42-33 Others
	-	1	-	-	-	-

	Persons born in the years	
Had 4th injection.	60-56	Others
	1	-

Oral Vaccine.

	Persons born in the years					
Initial course of 3 oral doses.	65	64	63	62	61	60-50
	31	299	57	24	12	29

	Persons born in the years					
Oral booster after 2 salk injections.	65	64	63	62	61	60-50
	-	-	-	-	3	10



Booster Dose of  
Oral Vaccine.

Persons born in the year.				
64	63	62	61	60-50
1	6	8	5	435

### School Health Service.

This service is provided by the County Council, and I am indebted to the County Medical Officer of Health for permission to include the following details.

The health of school children during the year was very satisfactory. I should like to take this opportunity of thanking all head teachers for their willing co-operation at all times.

### ROUTINE MEDICAL INSPECTION. (exclusive of special and supervisory examinations).

Age Groups inspected (By years of birth)	No. of Pupils inspected.	No. of Defects found to require treatment (excluding uncleanness and dental disease).		
		Defective vision.	Other Defects.	Total*
1960	173	1	23	24
1959	413	5	53	57
1958	236	8	31	39
1957	35	1	4	5
1956	16	-	-	-
1955	12	1	2	3
1954	123	5	3	8
1953	154	26	10	34
1952	61	9	5	14
1951	114	9	1	10
1950 and earlier	268	74	16	85
TOTAL.	1,605	139	148	279

\* Individual Children requiring treatment.

### Physical Condition.

All scholars examined were classified as Satisfactory or Unsatisfactory.

Satisfactory.	Unsatisfactory.	Total.
1,577	28	1,605



Defects found in the course of Medical Inspection.

DEFECT.	Routine Inspections		Special Inspections	
	Requiring Treatment	Requiring observation but not Treatment	Requiring Treatment	Requiring observation but not Treatment
SKIN ... ..	32	32	-	-
EYE.				
(a) Defective Vision (excluding squint)	139	85	2	2
(b) Squint ... ..	29	12	-	-
(c) Other conditions	1	8	-	-
EAR.				
(a) Defective Hearing	14	27	-	2
(b) Otitis Media ...	15	29	-	-
(c) Other Ear Diseases	-	-	-	-
NOSE AND THROAT ...	18	90	-	-
SPEECH ... ..	3	11	-	-
LYMPHATIC GLANDS ...	1	13	-	-
HEART AND CIRCULATION	9	53	-	1
LUNGS ... ..	10	39	-	-
DEVELOPMENT.				
(a) Hernia ... ..	7	7	-	-
(b) Other ... ..	3	40	-	-
ORTHOPAEDIC.				
(a) Posture ... ..	2	26	-	-
(b) Feet ... ..	3	25	-	-
(c) Other ... ..	2	20	-	-
NERVOUS SYSTEM.				
(a) Epilepsy ... ..	1	4	-	-
(b) Other conditions	-	5	-	-
PSYCHOLOGICAL.				
(a) Development ...	1	5	-	-
(b) Stability ... ..	7	90	-	-
ABDOMEN ... ..	-	6	-	-
OTHER DEFECTS AND DISEASES (Excluding Uncleanliness & Dental Diseases).	11	35	-	-

Supervisory Inspections ... .. 1,002  
Special Inspections ... .. 12

### School Consultation Clinic, Cleethorpes.

The school clinic at Cleethorpes is held every Monday morning, and children are referred by parents and teachers or as follow-ups from routine medical examinations. The appointment system continues to work well.

Total attendance at the School Clinic for 1965 was 756; 590 of these being first attendances.

### Child Guidance Clinic.

Cleethorpes children can attend the Grimsby Child Guidance Clinic by arrangement between the Grimsby Education Authority and the Lindsey Education Authority.

These children are referred with many different problems, difficulties with reading or writing, bed wetting, pilfering, irrational fears and phobias, school difficulties, behaviour problems at home or school, lack of intelligence, and each of these cases represents an unhappy child and one or more anxious parent. This is a most important service and prevents a great deal of mental ill health in later life.

Telephone,  
Cleethorpes 62822.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,  
COUNCIL HOUSE,  
CLEETHORPES.  
AUGUST, 1966.

To: The Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Cleethorpes.

LADY AND GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to present my Annual Report for the year ending 31st December, 1965.

This now contains, as well as details of the public health duties of my Department, a resumé of the work of the Cleansing Department, which is also within my province. Both record an increase in work. On the public health side, I am pleased that the appointment of an Additional Public Health Inspector meant that the important duties now ours under the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963, received proper attention. In the Cleansing Department there was an increase in the weight and volume of refuse to be dealt with, and also a pleasing increase in income from the sale of salvage.

As usual, I must thank the staff of the Health Department for their support. Dr. Britain left us during the year; whilst she was here she was a valued friend and colleague, and the thanks of all of us are due to her. Once again, I must also record my thanks to the Chairman and members of the Health Committee of the Council for their continued confidence in me.

I am, Lady and Gentlemen,

Yours obediently,

J. W. FINCH

Chief Public Health Inspector.



## SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

### Refuse Collection.

The quantity of refuse collected was as follows:-

	<u>Loads</u>	1965		1964	
		<u>T.</u>	<u>C.</u>	<u>T.</u>	<u>C.</u>
East.	1,545	1,993	15	924	17
North.	1,319	2,868	4	3,191	12
South.	588	2,040	4	2,279	10
Central.	547	2,066	5	2,250	16
Yard Teams.	<u>2,007</u>	<u>1,497</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>1,312</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>6,006</u>	<u>10,465</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>9,958</u>	<u>15</u>

There was thus a 5% increase in the weight of refuse collected during the year, which follows the trend of previous years. There was no increase in staff during the year to take account of this increase in weight.

In April, as soon as the Council had passed the estimates and the rate had been fixed, an order was placed for a new bulk loading refuse collection vehicle. This was delivered just before Christmas. For a long period of the year, therefore, the East team was using side-loading vehicles, which necessarily meant that their speed of work was slower than is desirable.

Nevertheless, during 1965 there were few complaints from the public about the frequency of collection. In 1966, however, the working week is to be shortened to forty hours. This, added to the further increase in the weight of refuse to be collected which is to be expected will, without question, cause this to be a matter which will need the attention of the Council.

The service which is provided for the collection of heavy items of refuse, such as disused furniture was again much used during the year. Any item of household refuse is moved - and this sometimes means the complete clearance of an unoccupied house. It does not include the removal of garden waste and the rubble which is left after building alterations, but the latter are accepted at the refuse disposal point from houses in the Borough, if the householder makes his own arrangement for their removal.

### Refuse Disposal.

This continued by means of controlled tipping. In the summer months at the 'Willows' site, off Taylors Avenue, and during the remainder of the year beside the Buck Beck, opposite the Zoo where an embankment to protect the Zoo from the weather on the seaward side was erected.



## Salvage.

The value of items salvaged and sold was as follows:-

	<u>1965.</u>			<u>1964.</u>		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Paper.	2538.	5.	1.	2023.	3.	4.
Cardboard.	4433.	5.	9.	3483.	2.	1.
Textiles.	1197.	7.	0.	1139.	19.	6.
Metals.	264.	6.	6.	257.	18.	0.
Other items.	27.	6.	3.	23.	5.	6.
	<u>8460.</u>	<u>10.</u>	<u>7.</u>	<u>6927.</u>	<u>8.</u>	<u>5.</u>

This 22% increase is most satisfactory. The value of salvage sold is twice that of the average for the five years preceding 1964.

## Water Supply.

The supply of water to Cleethorpes is by pipe from the North East Lincolnshire Water Board, and it is satisfactory in quantity and in quality. It is sampled regularly by this Department and examined bacteriologically and during the year 14 samples were reported to be satisfactory.

Information from the Water Board discloses that there is a fluoride content of less than 0.1 parts per million in the water from the Weelsby pumping station which is supplied to the Borough.

The result of a chemical analysis, supplied to us by the Water Board, of sample taken on 28th November, 1965, is as follows:-

pH	7.30
Colour (Degrees Hazen)	0
Turbidity (Silica scale)	1.0
Dissolved solids	298
Conductivity (Deciprocal megohms)	466
Alkalinity	222
Total hardness	250
Non carbonate hardness	28
Calcium hardness	240
Magnesium hardness	10
Free carbon dioxide	12
Chlorides as Cl.	18
Nitrate Nitrogen	3.4
Nitrite Nitrogen	0
Free ammoniacal nitrogen	0
Albuminoid nitrogen	.006
Silica as $S_{12}O_2$	8.3
Oxygen absorbed from permanganate 4 hrs. @ 27°C	.08

Phosphate as $\text{PO}_4$	.02
Sulphate as $\text{SO}_4$	20
Iron in solution	0
Manganese	0
Sodium as Na	9
Potassium as K	1
Fluoride as F	0.1
No. of coliforms/100 ml.	0

Excepting pH all results expressed as p.p.m  $\text{CaCO}_3$   
unless otherwise stated.

In addition 6 houses obtain their supplies from private boreholes.  
Five samples obtained of the water during the year proved to be satisfactory.

Number of houses supplied from the main	...	...	11,048
Number of houses with private boreholes	...	...	6

#### Drainage, Sanitation, Sewage and Sewage Disposal.

Number of houses with privy vaults in district	...	Nil
Number of houses with pail closets in district	...	3
Number of houses with water closets in district	...	11,051

All parts of the Borough are sewered except for Taylor's Avenue, where three cottages still have to use pail closets. During the year, no flooding of street, even temporarily, occurred as a result of heavy rain, the sewers and pumps being adequate to deal with all the rainfall.

Disposal is out to sea, sewage being held in holding tanks which are opened when the tide is at its highest and is starting to ebb. The outfall is  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile long, and sewage is thus carried out to sea with the ebbing tide and causes no nuisances on the beach.

#### Maintenance of Drains and Sewers.

During the year, 226 visits were made in connection with the maintenance of sewers which are dealt with under Section 24, Public Health Act, 1936. It was necessary to serve 24 notices during the year requiring the repair of sewers, under the Act. At the same time, 327 visits were made in connection with clearing choked house drains of obstruction; 132 visits were made in connection with the maintenance of house drains, and 99 drain tests were carried out. The I.D.P. attendant cleared 431 drains and sewers of obstruction.

It was necessary to serve 3 notices under Section 18, Public Health Act, 1961, requiring the repair of house drains, and 11 notices were served requiring such drains to be cleared of obstruction.



A great deal of time and energy has to be spent on this subject. The gradients of the drains and sewers in Cleethorpes, particularly in the older parts of town, are poor, with the result that the sewers are liable to silt badly. Any misuse of the drains in these circumstances can cause choking, which is sometimes difficult to clear.

#### Passage Pavings.

During the year 59 visits were made in connection with securing the repair of passages at the rear of houses. 1 passage, serving 12 houses with a surface area of approximately 97 yards super was repaired, with 3" of cement concrete laid to proper falls, under the provision of Secion 56, Public Health Act, 1936. In addition, 107 visits were made in connection with the clearance of choked passage gullies in common passages.

#### Atmospheric Pollution.

6 visits were made to industrial premises in this connection and 1 smoke observation was made.

The graphs, on the following page, show that the general picture of last year is repeated. In other words, the pollution in winter due to domestic fireplace pollution is high, whilst in summer pollution is low in all parts of the town.

#### Rodent Control.

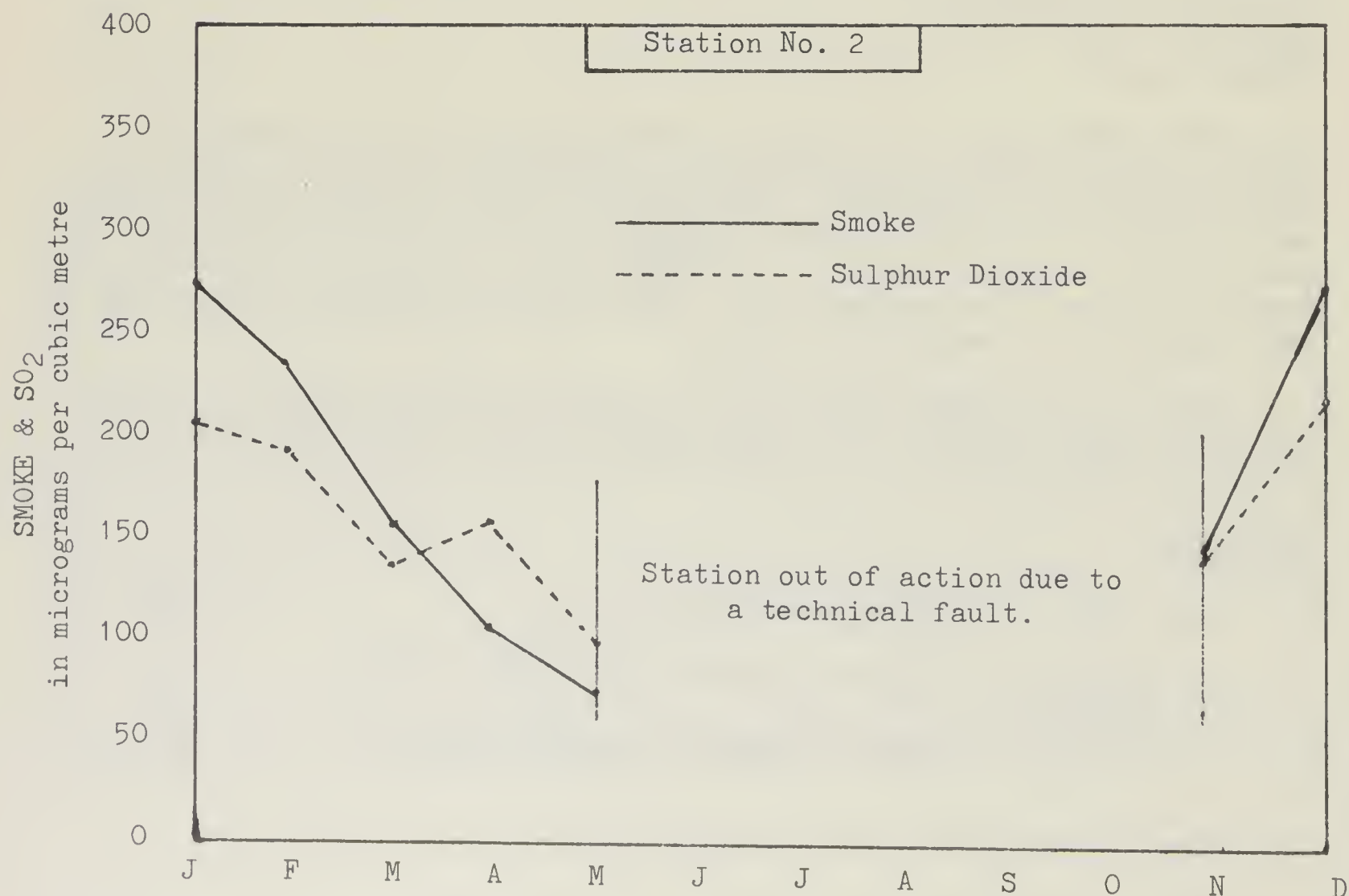
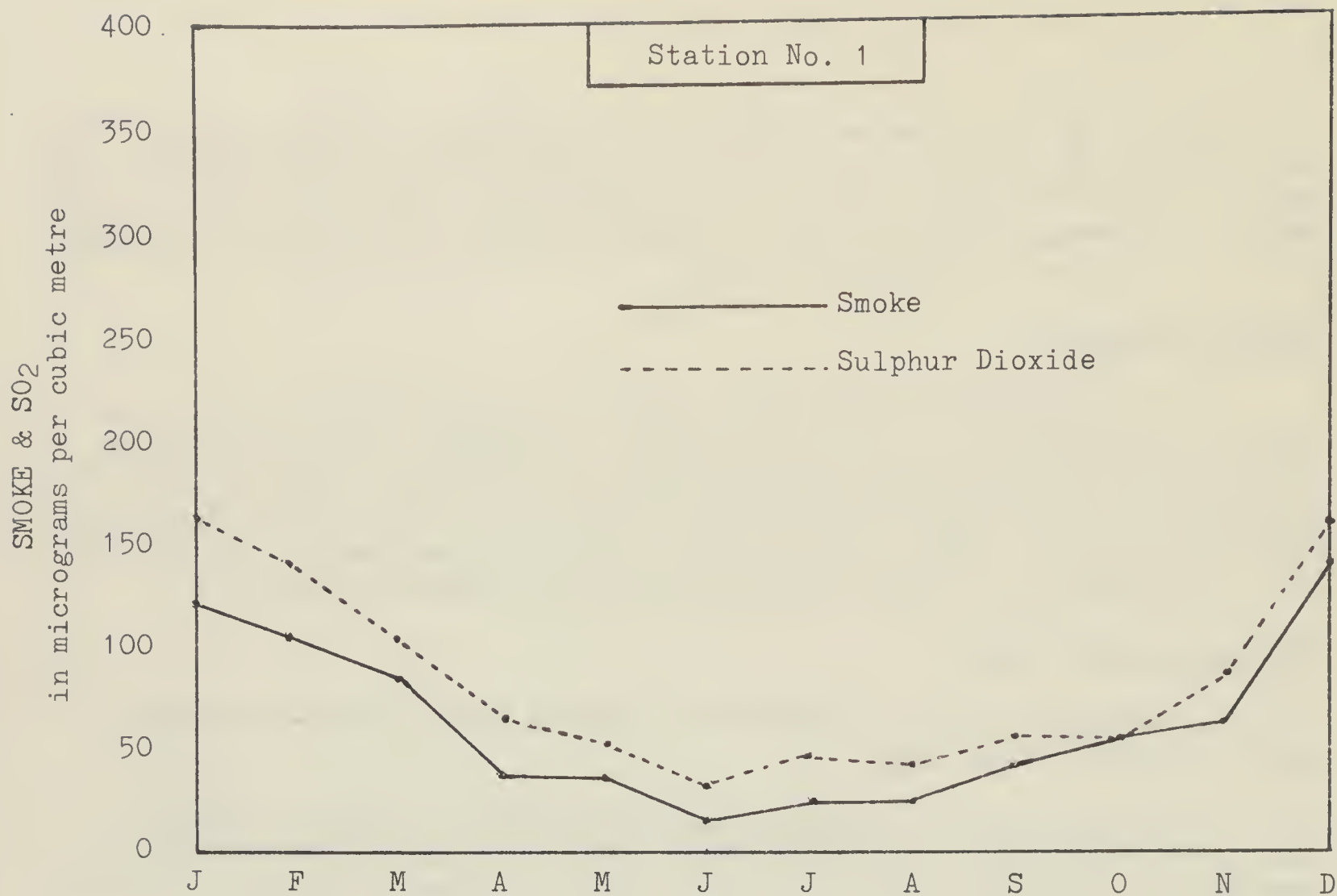
During the year, the Council's Rodent Operative has treated 356 dwelling houses and 38 other premises on complaint of rodent infestation, or as a result of inspection. In order to do this, he made 2,109 visits and revisits. The Public Health Inspectors made a total of 238 visits specifically for rats and mice. Treatment was carried out in all cases by Warfarin poison in an oatmeal base. There was no indication at any time of any resistance to Warfarin by rodents.

Two sewer treatments were carried out in April and October. At the first of these treatments, 15 sewer manholes were found to be infested, and at the second 18.

#### Nuisances.

Total number of nuisances during the year	...	...	...	575
1) Abated as a result of action by the Public Health Inspectors	...	...	...	575
2) Reported to Council - Statutory Notice issued	...	...	Nil.	





### Details of Nuisances Abated.

Refuse ... ..	56
Foul ditches, ponds and stagnant water ... ..	10
Drainage ... ..	431
Poultry and animals ... ..	19
Miscellaneous nuisances ... ..	69

588 visits were made in this connection.

### Insect Pests.

125 visits were made in connection with the destruction of insect pests, and 83 treatments were carried out by the I.D.P. attendant.

Details of the insects for which treatments were carried out are as follows:-

Cockroaches ... ..	53	Wasp nests ... ..	22
Fleas ... ..	1	Bees ... ..	3
Bed Bugs ... ..	1	Others ... ..	3

### FACTORIES AND WORKPLACES.

#### 1. - INSPECTIONS.

Premises. (1)	Number on Register. (2)	Number of		
		Inspections. (3)	Written Notices. (4)	Prosecutions. (5)
FACTORIES in which Sections 1,2, 3,4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities ... ..	5	6	-	-
FACTORIES not included in (1) in which Section 7 is en- forced by the Local Authority ... ..	88	44	2	-
Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) ... ..	3	-	-	-
TOTAL ...	96	50	2	-

# FACTORIES AND WORKPLACES.

## 2. - DEFECTS FOUND.

Particulars. (1)	Number of Defects				No. of Prosecutions. (6)
	Found. (2)	Remedied. (3)	Referred to H.M. Inspector. (4)	Referred to H.M. Inspector. (5)	
Want of Cleanliness (S.1)	1	1	-	1	-
Overcrowding (S.2) ...	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable Temperature (S.3) ... ..	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate Ventilation (S.4) ... ..	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective Drainage of floors (S.6) ... ..	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary)) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
Conven- )) Unsuitable or	-	-	-	-	-
iences )) defective	2	2	-	2	-
(S.7) )) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act ... ..	-	-	-	-	-
(Excluding offences relating to outwork)					
TOTAL ... ..	3	3	-	3	-

## OUTWORKERS.

(Sections 133 and 134)

Nature of Work. (1)	Section 133.			Section 134.		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133(1)(c) (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council. (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists. (4)	No. of instances of work in un-wholesome premises. (5)	Notices served. (6)	Prosecutions. (7)
Nets, other than wire nets	2	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL.	2	-	-	-	-	-

2 inspections were made of the homes of outworkers during the year.



### Bakehouses.

Number in district ... ..	13
Number of underground bakehouses ... ..	Nil
Number of inspections ... ..	40
Contraventions of Factories Acts ... ..	Nil

### Bathing Pool.

Samples of water in the Bathing Pool were taken from the deep and shallow ends each week during the season. In all, 22 samples were taken for bacteriological examination and all were reported to be satisfactory.

### Paddling Pool.

Samples were taken of the water from the Paddling Pool in Thrunscoc Park each week during the season, for bacteriological examination. 14 samples in all were taken, and of these 9 were reported to be satisfactory. Daily testing of the water for chlorine content was also carried out to ensure that an adequate supply of chlorine was always present in the water. This is necessary because the pool is of the fill and empty type and chlorine is added by hand.

### Housing.

Total number of houses erected during the year:

1) By the Local Authority ... ..	Nil
2) By other Local Authorities ... ..	Nil
3) By other bodies or persons ... ..	113
4) Number allocated for replacing houses subject to demolition orders ... ..	Nil

### Rent Act, 1957.

(a) Applications for Certificates of Disrepair:

Number of applications for certificates ... ..	Nil
Number of decisions to issue certificatesh ... ..	Nil
Number of undertakings given by landlords ... ..	Nil
Number of certificates issued ... ..	Nil

(b) Application for Cancellation of Certificates of Disrepair:

Applications by landlord to cancel certificates	Nil
Number of certificates cancelled ... ..	Nil

### Inspection of Dwelling Houses during the year.

1. (a) Total number of houses inspected for housing defects ... ..	109
(b) Number of inspections made for that purpose	466
2. (a) Number of houses (included under sub-head (1) above) which were inspected and recorded under the Housing Consolidated Regulations, 1925	Nil
(b) Number of inspections for that purpose ... ..	Nil
3. Number of houses found not to be in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation and capable of repair at reasonable expense ... ..	101

Remedy of Defects during the year without service of formal notices.

Number of houses rendered fit in consequence of informal action by the Local Authority or its Officers ...	41
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Action under Statutory Powers during the year.

A. Proceedings under Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1957:

(1) Number of houses in respect of which notices were served requiring repairs ... ..	22
(2) Number of houses rendered fit after service of formal notices -	
(a) By Owner ... ..	14
(b) By Local Authority in default of Owner	3

B. Proceedings under the Public Health Acts:

(1) Number of houses in which notices were served requiring defects to be remedied ... ..	33
(2) Number of houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notices -	
(a) By Owner ... ..	1
(b) By Local Authority in default of Owner	38

C. Slum Clearance - Procedure under the Housing Acts:

Number of dwelling houses in respect of which demolition orders were made ... ..	Nil
Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders ... ..	Nil
Number of dwelling houses, or parts, subject to Closing Orders ... ..	1
Number of dwelling houses, or parts, rendered fit by undertakings ... ..	1
Number of dwelling houses included in confirmed Clearance or Compulsory Purchase Orders ...	7
Number of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance thereof ... ..	Nil
Number of houses in which Demolition Orders are in operation and which are still occupied under the provisions of Sections 34, 35 and 46 of the Housing Act, 1957 ... ..	Nil
Total number of houses occupied under Sections 34, 35 and 46 of the Housing Act, 1957 ...	Nil



Estimated number of dwellings remaining to be dealt with under:-

(a) The Housing Act 1957, Sections 16 & 18	Nil
(b) The Housing Act 1957, Section 42 ...	Nil

Analysis of work carried out.

Brickwork repointed	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Ceiling plaster repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Chimney pots renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	8
Chimney stacks repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	27
Dampness otherwise remedied	...	...	...	...	...	...	12
Doors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
D.P.C's provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	41
Eaves gutters repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Firegrates repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	28
Floors repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
Flushing apparatus repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Gullies repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Inspection chambers provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Inspection chambers repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
New drains inspected	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
New floors provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
New sinks provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	3
New W.C's provided	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Roofs repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	31
Sashcords renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
Skirting boards repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	5
Vent shafts repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	11
Verge fillets repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	10
Wall plaster repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	14
W.C's repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	7
W.C. seats fixed	...	...	...	...	...	...	6
Windows repaired or renewed	...	...	...	...	...	...	29
Yards repaved or repaired	...	...	...	...	...	...	9

Improvement Grants.

Number of dwellings for which applications for grant have been received:-

(a) Standard Grant	...	...	...	...	...	...	85
(b) Discretionary Grant	...	...	...	...	...	...	12

Number of dwellings subject to grant:-

(a) Standard Grant	...	...	...	...	...	...	76
(b) Discretionary Grant	...	...	...	...	...	...	23



Number of houses owned by the Local Authority which have been subject of grant aid by the Ministry ... ..	Nil
Number of visits made for the purpose of inspection and supervision of work ... ..	1181

There has been a fall this year in the number of applications for grant. The reason for this is the fact that during the latter part of the year, because of government financial restrictions, it was no longer possible for the Council to make improvement loans. In the past, when a householder applied for a grant, he would cover the balance of the total cost by taking up a loan with the Council. Until these loans again become available, the number of houses improved will be lower than the average for the past two years.

So far as Standard grants are concerned, they have been made for the following:-

1. Fixed bath in a bathroom	65
2. Wash hand basin	64
3. Hot water supply	48
4. Water closet within the dwelling	83
5. Food store	31

The amounts paid in grants were:-

1. Standard Grants	£8,230. 1s. 0d.
2. Discretionary Grant	£4,239. 0s. 10d.

#### Pet Animals Act.

Four premises were licensed under this Act and they were inspected to ensure compliance with the conditions of the License.

#### Boarding Houses and Hotels.

75 visits were made during the year, mainly to premises which were advertised in the Guide,

## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

### Ice Cream.

During the year, 102 visits were made to premises where ice-cream is manufactured, stored or sold. Eight manufacturers were registered and 158 premises where ice-cream is sold. 37 samples were submitted for bacteriological examination by the Methylene Blue Test and the results were as follows:-

Grade 1	...	...	26	Grade 3	...	...	8
Grade 2	...	...	7	Grade 4	...	...	1

Once again, the main effort was in connection with the whipped ice-cream machines.

### Food.

#### (a) No. of premises.

	<u>No. of Premises.</u>	<u>No. of inspections.</u>
Food Stalls.	16	17
Food Manufacturing Premises.	5	52
Butchers Shops.	35	71
Fish Friers.	26	48
Bakehouses.	13	40
Grocers.	144	192
Ice-cream premises.	176	202
Catering premises.	60	184
Fruiterers & greengrocers.	19	95
Fishmongers.	10	11
Shellfish premises.	5	12
Sweetshops.	27	28
Bread & cake shops.	16	89
Miscellaneous.	18	42
	<u>570</u>	<u>1083</u>

(b) Number of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 16 - 570

(c) Number of premises to which Regulation 19 applies - 185

(d) Number of premises fitted to comply with Regulation 19 - 185

### Meat Inspection.

The slaughter of animals for human consumption continued at Wilson Street Slaughterhouse. The number of animals killed was 3,112.

It will be noted from the figures below that there was no tuberculosis found in any of the cattle slaughtered.

**Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned, in Whole or in Part.**

	Cattle excluding Cows.	Cows.	Calves.	Sheep and Lambs.	Pigs.	Horses.
Number killed (if known)	738	-	8	1613	753	-
Number inspected ...	738	-	8	1613	753	-
All diseases except tuberculosis & cysticerci. Whole carcasses Condem'd	-	-	-	1	1	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	261	-	-	88	88	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis & cysticerci ...	35.37%	-	-	11.82%	11.82%	-
Tuberculosis only. Whole carcasses condemned. ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned ...	-	-	-	-	24	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis.	-	-	-	-	3.19%	-
Cysticercosis - Carcasses of which some part or organ was condemned.	2	-	-	-	-	-
Carcasses submitted for treatment by refrigeration ...	2	-	-	-	-	-
Generalised and totally condemned ...	-	-	-	-	-	-

Inspection of Other Foods.

A total weight of 1 ton 1cwt. 1 qr. 17 lbs. 6 ozs. of other foods were condemned for a variety of reasons.



The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

Table A.                      Registrations and General Inspections.

Class of premises	No. of premises registered during the year.	Total No. of registered premises at end of year.	No. of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year.
Offices.	4	69	86
Retail shops.	17	292	363
Wholesale shops, warehouses.	Nil	8	6
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens.	8	63	24
Fuel storage depots.	Nil	1	1

Table B.

No. of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to Registered Premises - 603.

Table C.

Analysis of Persons Employed in  
Registered Premises by Workplace

Class of Workplace	Number of persons employed
Offices.	276
Retail shops.	931
Wholesale departments, warehouses.	30
Catering establishments open to the public.	652
Canteens.	Nil
Fuel storage depots.	3
Total	1892
Total Males	543
Total Females	1349

Table D.

Exemptions.

No applications for exemption were received during 1965.

Table E.

Prosecutions.

No proceedings were instituted during the year.

Table F.

Inspectors.

No. of Inspectors appointed under the Act       -    4.  
 No. of other staff employed for most of  
 their time on work in connection with  
 the Act ...    ...    ...    ...    ...    ...    -    Nil

The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963.

The statistics required by the Ministry, whilst showing the work which has been done to ensure compliance with the Act, give no idea of the number of contraventions of its requirements which were found. These are listed below, the headings being those of the sections under which defects were found to exist:-

			<u>Found</u>	<u>Remedied</u>
Section	4	Cleanliness.	39	3
"	5	Overcrowding.	4	-
"	6	Temperature.	192	61
"	7	Ventilation.	27	9
"	8	Lighting.	2	-
"	9	Sanitary Conveniences.	100	16
"	10	Washing Facilities.	67	21
"	11	Supply of drinking water.	6	-
"	12	Accommodation for clothing.	12	4
"	13	Sitting facilities.	12	6
"	16	Defective floors, passages, stairs.	27	11
"	24	First Aid provisions.	145	50

A form of notice to occupiers of shop premises was prepared and sent where defects were found. The number which are shown as remedied are those where re-inspections have been carried out. More defects may, of course, have been remedied than are shown above.

So far as the numbers of the various defects found are concerned, the majority of those listed under 'temperature' are for the comparatively minor defect of not installing a thermometer. A number of notices have, however, been concerned with inadequate temperature. The only complaints received under the Act were from shop workers, during the sudden cold spell in November; shopkeepers were also, apparently, taken unawares on this occasion.

Most of the defects under Section 9 concerned existing defective conveniences. Inadequacy was not a big problem, although the meaning of the term 'conveniently accessible' still gives difficulty.

It will be seen how many premises lacked the simple first aid equipment required by the Act.

It was found that 20 premises had not registered by the appointed day, and it is possible that there are still a few who have not. A number of small firms, on the other hand, had registered, which did not need to do so.

No applications for exemption were received.

During November, the following recordings were made of lighting in offices and shops:-

Retail sweet shop.	Counter.	20	lumens.
Office (wine merchants).	Desks.	80-115	"
Retail ironmongers.	Counter.	26	"
" "	Store.	8	"
Dry cleaners.	Counter.	24	"
" "	Store.	15-20	"
Motor sales.	Offices.	20-25	"
" "	Forecourt (Sales).		
	Office.	35-50	"
Office (Seed Merchant).	Typists' Desks.	20-45	"
Office (Baker).	Clerks' Desks.	12-45	"







